ALLIES PUSH OFFENSIVE ON WHOLE WESTERN LINE

ANGLO-FRENCH DRIVE PRESSED TOWARD LAON

Haig and Nivelle Deal Smashing Blows at Hindenburg

FRENCH ADVANCE 5 MILES FROM CITY

English Gain Near Villers-Guislain in Thrust at Cambrai

GERMANS LOST

BULLETIN

BUENOS AIRES, April 20. The Spanish Legation at Rio meiro has received a cipher ssage stating that Russia has igned an armistice with Germany, according to a telegram om the Brazilian capital this

WASHINGTON, April 20. The Russian Embassy today eclared "unbelievable" the reort that Germany and Russia had signed an armistice.

"I think, if such report were rue, we would have heard of it,' uid a Russian Embassy official. We have never heard a word bout any such business, and we to not believe it true."

The roundabout rumor of an armistice ween Germany and Russia, via mish diplomatic channels in South erica, was not taken very seriously t was suggested that it might have ginated through certain strong German nces in Rio known to be in close th with the pro-German party is

BERLIN, April 20. Occupation of the previously prepared legfried" positions by German troops has, completed, today's official statement m German headquarters stated. The pation began Monday and was comted yesterday by abandonment of the nk of the Aisne between Conde and Soude. "The enemy follows hestitatingly. the statement said.

'The double battle along the Aisne in Champagne contines its normal course.' report states. "Near Braye and Cerny, s both sides of Craonne, the French unessfully attempted to gain the sumof a ridge, losing heavily.

"Along the Aisne and the Marne Canal ming waves of fresh divisions charged times, but were broken down with guinary losses. We are masters of the

"In the Champagne we voluntarily evacu-

RENCH REGAIN 77 SQUARE MILES IN FIVE DAYS OF BIG DRIVE

PARIS, April 20. Undiminished in its force, General Nivelle's t offensive today reclaimed more land France from the Invader in flerce fightat several sections on the forty-mile-The War Office statement said:

There have been heavy artillery uels south of St. Quentin. Near Laf-aux we have made fresh progress, taks afty prisoners. The Germans made sunter-assaults, but they were re-

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HEF HELD AS SPY RELEASED tant Ritz-Carlton Cook Back Over His Biscuits

in arrested as a spy when he was walking near the East Park resera Fairmount Park with a bundle unals arm turned out today to be Carl assistant chef of the Ritz-Carlton

er questioning Young today, Frank rino, a special agent of the Depart-of Justice, released him from custody, guards held him yesterday afternoon ook him to Lieutenant of Detectives

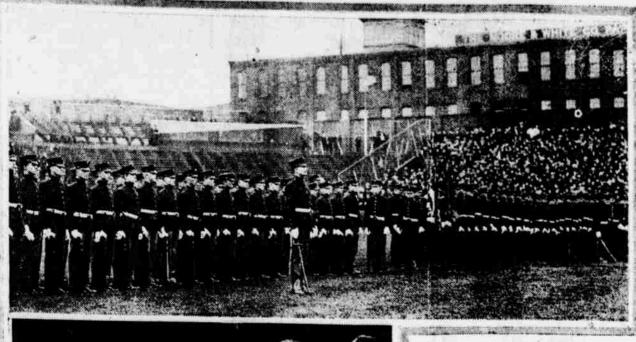
THE WEATHER

FOREGAST elphia and vicinity—Gen-and unsettled tonight and oith probably occasional rain mer touight; fresh southerly

LENGTH OF DAY

.5:15 a.m. | Moon rises 4:17 a.m. 6:42 p.m. | Moon souths 11:06 a.m.

PATRIOTIC CELEBRATION MARKS PHILS' OPENING DAY GAME





With national and city officials present, the Phils and Dodgers opened the 1917 season at Broad and Huntingdon streets this afternoon. The war spirit was injected by three companies of marines, who drilled and then raised the flag in military style. In the upper photograph the marines are seen and below is Mayor Smith, who is in the act of tossing out the first ball.

Gives Volunteer Advo-

cates Arguments

officially last night at the War Department

that there will be no Roosevelt division, bet-

ting today favors the idea that "T. R." will

get into the trenches in France with a vol-

unteer force weeks before the first Ameri-

can conscript division gets under shrapnel

It is admitted that the President is strongly opposed to the Roosevelt division. Friends of the Colonel insist that the Wilson

Friends of the Colonel insist that the Wilson objection is predicated upon the political possibilities likely to ensue when Teddy comes marching home. Administration backers ridicule this idea and say that Roosevelt, who is on record as favoring selective conscription, is doing more to block conscription by his talk of a volunteer division than any other single factor. They admit that Roosevelt could probably smash

all speed records in raising a division. They say that the Roosevelt agitation is playing right into the hands of Congressmen

right into the hands of Congressmen who prefer the volunteer system because of the chance it offers to play politics by award-

In House and Senate there is strong sup-

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in Baseball Today

What May Happen

WASHINGTON, April 20.

TWO EDDYSTONE ROOSEVELT ARMY SUSPECTS HELD **CONSCRIPTION FOE**

One of Them an Alleged Companion of Liebknecht in German Prison

MADE ANARCHIST SPEECH

One man, who said he was a former mem ber of the Russia Duma and had been in ber of the Russia Duma and had been in jail with Dr. Karl Liebknecht, the German Socialist leader, when German officials locked up Liebknecht for radical utterances, was among the Eddystone plot suspects who had a hearing today before Burgers Williamson in Media. Burgess Williamson held the alleged ex-member of While the word was passed out semi-officially last night at the Was Department. the Duma, who is William Derman, under \$1000 ball, but set free most of the others who were picked up in and about Eddyston after the explosion on April 10 at the Eddystone Ammunition Corporation plant.

Derman was arrested before the ex pierman was arrested before the ex-piosion by a deputy sheriff after he had ad-dressed an anarchist meeting in Odd Fel-lows' Hall, Chester, and, according to the deputies, had seemed disloyal to the United States. He worked for ten days with the ammunition company just before the exammunition company just before the ex-plosion, but for some reason declined to go to the piant to draw the pay due him there. Instead he sent a messenger.

On hearing this deputies took him in charge again. He had been released under bail after the anarchist meeting. Derman had little to say in his own defense before Burgess Williamson today, and was held for a further hearing, pending investigation.

With Derman was held William Logeda who was said to have been a friend of Derman, and also one of Derman's supporters at the anarchist meeting. Logeda was held In House and Senate there is strong sup-port of the Roosevelt idea. Many Republi-cans and Democrats feel that the nation needs a thrill and a focusing point for its latent patriotism. The idea is general that, given half a chance, T. R. will furnish thrills and enthusiasm sufficient to make possible the acceptance of the conscription idea withunder \$250 ball.

under \$250 ball.

Six men were arrested last Monday and Tuesday, following suspicious actions and alleged disloyal talk, and have been prisoners in the Media jal. ever since. They are Charles Wenkle, deciared by the Ammunition Corporation to be an unnaturalized German. This he denies. Harry Pelifer, alias Charles Thomas, alleged to have made insulting remarks about the American flag; Harry Nungesser, a German, said to have declared "it was perfectly right for Germany to blow up American ships"; John Ambrose, who tried to sneak past the dead line outside the plant, and Harold Hoskins

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Aviators' Machine Wrecked WEST POINT, N. Y., April 20.—Captain, S. Martin and Captain Walter C. Kilner,

BEATS DODGERS With Score 3 All, "Cactus"

CRAVATH'S HOMER

Wallops Ball Into Bleachers in Eighth

NIEHOFF IN FINE FORM

Good Old Gavvy!

	BROOKL	YN					
		AB.	R.	H.	0.	A.	d
	Fabrique, ss	4	0	0	4		
	Daubert, 1b	4	0	1	9	0	
	Myers, ef		0	0	3	0	
	Wheat, If	2	1	1	1	0	
	Stengel, rf				2	0	
	Cutshaw, 2b	4	0	0	0	ï	
	Mowrey, 3b	4	0	0	9	2	
	Miller, c	3	1	1	3	Ü	
	Cheney, p	3	1	0		. 5	
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	manager and the	AB.				100	
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	Bancroft, ss			1	1	6	
Ġ	Whitted, If				1	0	
	Luderus, . 1b	. 3	0	1	16	1	
	Cravath, rf	4	1	2	0	0	
	Stock, 3b	4	0		1	1	
	Nichoff, 2b	3	0	1	2	6	
	Killefer, c	4	0	i	5	1	
	Alexander, p	3	0	0	1	4	
	70,000	-	-	-	- 5		

Home run-Cravath. Two-base hits-Wheat, Bancroft, Cravath, Stengel, Paskert Luderus, Sacrifice hits-Banchoft, Stengel Struck out-By Cheney, 1; by Alexander, 4 Bases on balls-Off Cheney, 2; off Alex-Bases on balls—Off Cheney, 2; off Alexander, 4
Bases on balls—Off Cheney, 2; off Alexander, 3. Stolen bases—Cutshaw, Wheat
Hit by pitched ball—Niehoff. Umpires—
O'Day and Bransfield.

By ROBERT W. MAXWELL That picturesque ruin, labeled "Gavvy" Cravath, has gone back so far in his playing that all he could do this afternoon was to win the game against Brooklyn with a bome run in the eighth and drive in another Thrill of Raising Division tally in the third. Cravath got two hits out of four times up to the plate. The final

score was 4-3. Brooklyn started after Alexander and almost had him on the ropes, but "Big Pete" MAY BE POLITICS IN IT recovered quickly and pitched himself out of trouble.

Bill Killefer's wild heave in the second gave the visitors their first score, and two more were added to the fourth on Stock's error, Miller's bunt and Daubert's long

Bert Niehoff played a wonderful game at second, and looks like a fixture in that position. Impressive ceremonies marked the open

ing of the National League season in Phila-delphia. Three companies of United States

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SWEET MARGUERITE PAYS WELL IN OPENING SPRINT

Machines Reward Backers of Harnes's Winning Mount With \$24.50 for

Two-Dollar Ticket

HAVRE DE GRACE, Md., April 20 .-Again the sure thing received a jolt, for in the opening two-year-old sprint here today Sweet Marguerite shot through the large field for a win, the machines paying \$24.50, \$11.20 and \$7.60.

Haynes was on the victorious mount and coming into the home stretch sprinted past Low Degree and Celtiva.

RACE. selling, for two-year-olds, 4 furlongs:
1. Sweet Marguerite, 108,
Haynes
2. Low Degree, 111, Parrington 5.50 4.40 Low Degree. 111. Parrington Celitya. 107. Ambrose. 5.50 4.40
Celitya. 107. Ambrose. 5.50 4.80
Time. 49 4-5. Elizabeth H. Dorothy Sulvant. Sincerity. Little Sweeper. Kindle. Go To. Dairose and Austral also ran.
SECOND RACE, three-year-olds and upward.
Islaming. 6 furlongs:
Colors. 112. Ward. \$9.70 \$5.00 \$8.70
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Time. 1.15 1-5. Lone Star. Virginia S. 660
Time. 1.15 1-5. Lone Star. Virginia S. Tito.
ank Bill. Sir Frettu. Altamaha. Durin, Hiker.
Im Basey, Gaelle, Smirking and Encore also

im Bases, Garage and upward.
THIRD RACE, three-year-olds and upward.
naidons, 5½ furiongs:
Smart Money, Robinson . \$6.60 \$4.80 \$4.10
Bladen, 106, Trovier . 12.50 \$.20
Royal Wil, 106, Taplin
Time, 108, Scrapia II, Photo, Belle Ronald,
doonlight, Widow Bedotte, Frea, Blaze Awey,
Saadi, oJhn Douglas, Bond and Kingling also

LATEST SPORTS

BASEBALL SCORES

BROOKLYN .. 0 1 0 0 2 0 PHILLIES 0 0 2 0 1 0

Chaney and Miller: Alexander and Killefer.

ATHLETICS .. 3 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 1-WASH'NGT'N 0 0 0 2 0 0 1 0 0 0 0 1-

R. Johnson and Schang; Gallia and Henry.

NATIONAL LEAGUE

BOSTON 0 0 1 1 0 0 0 0 0 0-NEW YORK 0 0 1 0 0 0 0 0 1 0-Ragan and Gowdy: Tesreau and McCarty. CHICAGO 0 0 1 0 0 0 0 0 0-1 3 0 PITTSBURGH 1 0 0 0 0 0 5 0 X-6 7 1 Demarce and Elliott; Grimes and Fischer.

CINCINNATI 0 0 1 0 0 0 ST. LOUIS 6 0 0 0 1 0 Schneider and Wingo; Watson and Snyder,

AMERICAN LEAGUE

NEW YORK BOSTON POSTPONED-RAIN

DETROIT 2 0 0 0 0 2 0 CLEVELAND 2 0 2 0 0 0 Boland and Spencer; Morton and O'Neill.

ST. LOUIS 1 0 0 0 0 CHICAGO 0 4 0 0 0 Sotheren and Severeid; Cirotte and Srhalk.

OTHER GAMES

TEMPLE 0000 0 0 1 0 0 0 2-3 73 ALBRIGHT 0 0 1 0 0 0 0 0 1-2 8 3 FRIENDS CENT. 0

LACROSSE RESULTS

Swarthmore, 1; Penn State, 1. First half.

DARCY WOULD FIGHT FOR U. S. A.

MEMPHIS, Tenn., April 20 .- Les Darcy, boxer, barred from many clubs in the country on account of his alleged "slacker" tendencies, says he is ready to fight for the United States. Let agreed to enlist under the Stars and Stripes.

KOLCHAK NAMED CHIEF OF RUSSIAN BALTIC FLEET

PETROGRAD, April 20 .- Admiral Kolrhak, sommander of the Black Sea fleet, was today appointed commander-in-chief of the Russian naval forces in the Baltic.

GERMAN PROGRESSIVES DENOUNCE WILSON

ROTTERDAM, April 20 .- At a meeting of the Progressive People's party in Berlin a resolution was adopted denouncing President Wilson for his alleged attempt to "sow discord between the Kaiser and the German people," says a dispatch fro mBerlin today. President Kaempff, of the Reicchstag, addressed the meeting.

. ANOTHER CLASH IN CUBAN PROVINCE

HAVANA, April 20 .- Another clash, between insurgents as Government forces occurred today, the insurgents letter bear A large band of insurgents, believed to be the last of any impletes was encountered in the province of Camaguay by Comments

DRAFT DELAYED AS PRESS CURB SPLITS SENATE

Conscription Bill Will Be Order of Debate on Monday

STRICTURE ON NEWS CAUSES OPPOSITION

Constitutional Rights of Free Speech Involved in Censorship Rules

WILSON FIRM IN STAND

Determined That Military Scheme Shall Not Be Muddled by Volunteer Test

Free speech and free press during the war period seemed assured this afternoon The fight in the Senate against the "pressgag" section of the espionage bill appeared

Senator Cummins, of Iowa, introduced ar amendment greatly liberalizing the consorship regulations.

This, however, was lost by a vote of 40 to 34. A motion by Senator Thomas to strike out the entire section relating to newspaper censorship was also defeated by a vote of 43 to 33. Senator Overman, in charge of the esp

age till, yielded to the pressure for modifica-tion this afternoon to the extent of accept-ing an amendment, offered by Senator Smith, of Georgia, striking out the words "collect, record and communicate." This would re-move restrictions on the activities of news gatherers.

gatherers.
Senator Stone, of Missouri, attacked the amendment as making special distinction between a reporter and a layman.

Some people seem to regard a reporter as a sort of sacred personage prowling about looking for news," he said. "I have a somewhat contrary view." The espionage measure will be laid aside as soon as debate on the section referring

to newspaper censorship is concluded. This debate was in progress yesterday and no agreement had been reached when the Senate adjourned, Senator Chamberlain pointed out that th

army legislation enacted as rapidly as possembling the new army. Senator, Overman was more urgent than the

is believed that pressure from President Wilson gained precedence for the army bill, which, it is known, the President is determined to force through Congress The fight over the esplonage measure centers about the censorship section, which places absolute authority in the Govern-

ment to regulate news during the war. Senators opposing the section, inc. orado; Johnson, of California, and Borah, of Idaho, believe that the section involve such far-reaching principles in the right of free speech and free press that they canno afford to let it pass without a thorough discussion. They are determined that the declaration of war is not to be made the discussion. They are determined that the declaration of war is not to be made the excuse for the passage of every kind of legislation likely to result in serious abridg-ment of fundamental rights of citizens guaranteed under the Constitution

BRITISH ENVOYS WILL BE FRANK IN WAR TALK

WASHINGTON, April 20.
Great Britain intends to lay all her war cards on the table when her commissioners meet with American Government heads. She will present fully and frankly all prob-lems, and these will cover a wider scope than heretofore announced. The general question of military and

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MACKS AND GRIFFMEN IN OVERTIME CONTEST

Gallia Starts Weirdly, Then Tightens and Has Box Battle With Jingling

AMERICAN LEAGUE PARK, Washington, April 20.

Three-three was the score at the finish of the uninh inning of today's game, the first of the season in this between the A's and Griffmen. Of course, they went into

The Mackmen scored their trio of talliss in the first frame, but Gallia tightened thereafter and hits off him were scarce. Washington scored twice in the fourth and

Washington scored twice in the fourth and tied the count in the seventh.

The opening game of the 1917 season saw the smallest crowd in years. Not more than 10,000 fans turned out to see the contest. The lower stand was filled and so was the rightfield pavilion. Plents of empty seats were to be had in the upper stand and in leftfield gavilion.

After the soldiers from Fort Myer had circled the field and taken their seats the Griff men marched in from the front of their bench, in columns of four, in command them, in columns of four, in command the center field, where the national hanner was raised to the top of the new flagpole.

Hon. Franklin D. Roosevet, Assignat Secretary of the Navy, accompanied them.